

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

In re Application of

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For: INTRAMEDULLARY LOCKED COMPRESSION SCREW FOR STABILIZATION
AND UNION OF COMPLEX ANKLE AND SUBTALAR DEFORMITIES

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
UNDER 37 CFR 1.97 & 1.98

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. It is respectfully requested that the references be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, that the references be made of record therein, and that the references appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

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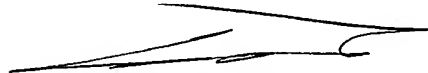
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